### U.S. Bankruptcy Court District of Arizona



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### INTERNET BROWSERS

CM/ECF works well with NETSCAPE VERSION 4.7. At this time there have been reported problems when using NETSCAPE 6.0. Problems may also be encountered if INTERNET Explorer is used as the browser when using CM/ECF. The developers of CM/ECF are working on changes to the CM/ECF software so that it will be compatible with both NETSCAPE 6.0 and INTERNET Explorer.

# NEW VERSION ONE OF CM/ECF SOFTWARE

By the end of April, CM/ECF will be operating on our local server using the new Version One software. Version One has a number of new features and improvements over the current prototype software now being used. One noted improvement is that after selecting the category of filings from the main menu, such as

Motion/Application, the list of the filing entries will be displayed first. If your filing is not on the list, you may click on the back button and select another filing category.

### **EXPANSION OF CM/ECF**

The court's plan is to place all new bankruptcy cases filed in the Phoenix Division on CM/ECF sometime later this year. The court has recently received its local ECF server. By May 2001, attorneys filing in ECF cases in Arizona will be filing on the court's local server rather than the server in Washington, D.C. This should improve the performance of the system for the ECF attorneys. At that time, the court will also start using the new CM/ECF software, called Version One. This new software has a number of new features and improvements over the current CM/ECF software the court is now using. Before the switch to the new Version One software, all ECF attorneys and their staff who do

the ECF filings will receive training on the changes and new features.

When the court will be ready to switch all Phoenix Division cases to CM/ECF depends upon how long it takes for the Court to integrate into CM/ECF a number of local applications such as the court's calendar program and digital court recording.

At this time, the court expects to accomplish this sometime in the second half of this year. By then, the court will also be able to convert all pending cases to CM/ECF. All cases will then be only on CM/ECF.

CM/ECF will then be expanded to the Tucson and Yuma offices sometime in 2002. All new bankruptcy cases filed in the District of Arizona will then be on CM/ECF. The Court has selected CM/ECF as its new filing, docketing and case management system to replace the current NIBS/PACER electronic docket.

CM/ECF is being expanded across the country. By the end of 2001, the following 32 Bankruptcy Courts will be on CM/ECF.

California Southern
New York Southern
Georgia Northern
Virginia Eastern
Arizona
Texas Western
Vermont
Delaware
New Jersey
So. Carolina
Iowa Southern
Utah

N. C. Western **New Hampshire** Ohio Northern Wyoming N.Y. Eastern Alaska Georgia Middle Montana **Tennessee Middle Oregon** Louisiana Middle Colorado W.V. Northern Missouri Western **Washington Western** Louisiana Eastern Wisconsin Eastern Wisconsin Eastern Arkansas South Dakota

#### **WEB PACER**

Also available at the Court's website is a link to WEBPACER which is the browser based access, via the INTERNET, to the dockets for the bankruptcy cases not on ECF. WEBPACER will replace the dial up access now used via the BRASS System. The dial up access will remain available for a time. The access fee for WEBPACER is 7 cents per page as compared to the 60 cents per minute fee for the dial up access.

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